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Our Case No. 907/045

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Robert D. Brand

Serial No.: 09/377,120

Filed: August 19, 1999

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
RETAINING A FLITCH FOR CUTTING

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) Examiner: W. Donald Bray
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED MARCH 13, 2002

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 13, 2002, please consider the following
amendments and remarks and the enclosed Letter to the Official Draftsman with corrections of
FIGS. 21 and 22. A request for extension of time of two months, along with the small entity fee
therefor, is enclosed. No additional fees are believed required, however, should any additional fees
be deemed necessary, please charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

In the Specification:

Please delete the paragraph on page 8, lines 20-22 and insert therefore:

--Fig. 22 is a partial cross-sectional view taken transversely of a flitch table of Fig. 16-17 for
illustrating a modular assembly for holding a flitch and its engagement with the flitch table;--

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